

"In Solum Nos Fides"

JANUARY 2005

10 - 28: Technical edits for Lee and Washington Co. Virginia

10 - 28: Technical edits for Logan-Mingo and Lincoln Co. W. Virginia

10 - 11: WVACD - Morgantown

24 - 27: FAV Cecil Co. Maryland

FEBRUARY 2005

1 - 4: State Soil Scientist/Soil Data Quality Specialist Workshop, Laughlin, NV

14-15: Map inspection - Buchanan County, Virginia

14-16: MO Leader's Winter Business Meeting, Charleston, S.C.

28 - March 4: NASIS Interpretations Training - Morgantown

MARCH 2005

15-16: Map inspection - Russell County, Virginia

21 - 25: NASIS Intermediate Training - Morgantown

MLRA Region 13 (MO-13)

SOIL SURVEY STAFF

2ND QUARTER ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

FISCAL YEAR 2005



The Road Ahead is paved with SSURGO data.....

In the Soil Survey, The
Future is Now.....

**The National Cooperative Soil
Survey - Since 1899**



Clark County, Nevada






NRCS Photo

Well, it is "off to Laughlin, Nevada!"

NRCS will sponsor a state soil scientist workshop in February in Laughlin, Nevada which is located about 110 miles due south from Las Vegas. The meeting will focus on current issues facing the program with a separate breakout session for the soil data quality specialists. The agenda includes a wide range of topics important to the Soil Survey.

**FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006
ANNUAL PERFORMANCE
MEASURES (RELATED TO
SOIL SURVEY PROGRAM)**

STATE LEVEL PRIORITIES

-  **Soil Surveys updated, acres**
-  **New or Updated soil surveys released for public use; number and acres**
-  **Soil Surveys available electronically on NRCS website; number and acres.**
-  **Farmland and grazing land protected by conservation easements; in acres.**
-  **Prime farmland protected by conservation easements; in acres.**

NATIONAL PRIORITIES

- 1. Streamline and implement Conservation programs.**
- 2. Implement the President's management initiatives:**
 - Strategic management of human capital;**
 - Competitive sourcing;**
 - Improved financial performance;**
 - Expanding EGovernment; and**
 - Budget and program integration.**
- 3. Increase outreach activities and workforce diversity.**
- 4. Enable conservation delivery by modernization and expansion of technical capacity.**

**SOIL SURVEY PRIORITIES FOR
MO-13 AND WEST VIRGINIA**

- 1. Complete tabular data for SDW by December 2004. DONE!!!**
- 2. Set up staff and workload to complete spatial data for SDW by 9/30/07.**
- 3. Update 400,000 acres in West Virginia.**
- 4. Increase support to states in MO-13 in areas of support for SSURGO, map compilation, and correlation.**
- 5. Use the Career Intern and SCEP programs to strategically manage staffing levels.**
- 6. Continue to work on Smithsonian project.**
- 7. Integrate Benchmark Soils into business plan.**
- 8. Prioritize soil survey digitizing to meet CSP program needs.**